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First Named Inventor or Application Identifier	RD-27,422
Title	METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR SUBMITTING INFORMATION TO AN AUTOMATED LENDING SYSTEM
Express Mail Label No.	EL048587072US

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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(Preferred arrangement set forth below)
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 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets] **18**
4. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages] ☐
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 - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)
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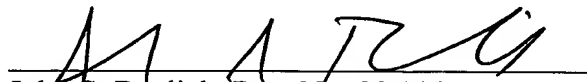
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